

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A hinge unit of a portable computer, the hinge unit comprising:
  - a fixed hinge plate fixed to a first unit having a first display module, the fixed hinge plate having a first hinge cylinder;
  - a hinge link having a first hinge shaft rotatably inserted in the first hinge cylinder, the hinge link connecting the first unit with a second unit having a second display module;
  - a movable hinge bracket assembled with the second unit and configured to be rotated about a second hinge shaft, the movable hinge bracket having a guide section for guiding the hinge link that is movably inserted through the movable hinge bracket; and
  - a stopper disposed at a corresponding portion between the hinge link and the guide section of the movable hinge bracket to prevent the hinge link from moving with respect to the movable hinge bracket.
2. The hinge unit as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hinge link extends through hinge slots formed through rear ends of the first and second units to couple the first and second units with each other.
3. The hinge unit as claimed in claim 2, wherein the hinge link and the movable hinge bracket are disposed outside of sides of the first and second units, and the first hinge shaft and the second hinge shaft extend inward through the sides of the first and second units from the hinge link and the movable hinge bracket, respectively.

4. The hinge unit as claimed in claim 2, wherein the hinge link has an engagement protuberance formed at a distal end of the hinge link, and the movable hinge bracket has an engagement protuberance channel, in which the engagement protuberance is located and guided, and wherein the engagement protuberance prevents the hinge link from being separated from the movable hinge bracket when the engagement protuberance is engaged with a lower end of the engagement protuberance channel.

5. The hinge unit as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hinge mechanism is positioned along a lateral area between the second display module and an outer lateral edge of the second unit.

6. The hinge unit of claim 5, wherein the hinge unit is coupled to rear ends of corresponding sides of the first unit and the second unit to enable the first display module and the second display module to overlap each other or to be unfolded until they are placed in an equal plane.

7. A portable computer, comprising:  
a first unit having a first display module;  
a second unit being capable of being folded on and unfolded from the first unit; and

a hinge mechanism configured to support reciprocal folding movements of the first and second units, wherein the hinge mechanism is positioned along a lateral area between the first display module and an outer lateral edge of the first unit.

8. The portable computer of claim 7, wherein the second unit has a second display module and the hinge mechanism is positioned along a lateral area between the second display module and an outer lateral edge of the second unit.

9. The portable computer of claim 8, wherein the first and second units have top surfaces respectively containing the display modules, and wherein when the second unit moves from the folded to an unfolded position, the hinge mechanism extends through corresponding removed portions of facing adjacent sides of the units.

10. The portable computer of claim 9, wherein an adjacent edge of the top surfaces has a reduced width relative to distal edge and side edges surrounding the display modules.

11. The portable computer of claim 8, wherein at least one hinge unit connecting the first unit and the second unit with each other, the hinge unit being connected to rear ends of equal sides of the first unit and the second unit so as to enable the first display module and the second display module to overlap each other or to be unfolded until they are placed in an equal plane, and wherein at least one of the first display module and the second

display module has a touch screen function, and the first display module and the second display module display different images or divided portions of one integrated image.

12. The portable computer of claim 7, wherein the hinge unit comprises:

a fixed hinge plate fixed to the first unit, the fixed hinge plate having a first hinge cylinder through which a hinge hole is formed;

a hinge link having a first hinge shaft rotatably inserted in the hinge hole, the hinge link assembled with the first unit and the second unit to connect the first unit and the second unit with each other;

a movable hinge bracket assembled with the second unit in such a manner that the movable hinge bracket can be rotated about a second hinge shaft, the movable hinge bracket having a guide section for guiding the hinge link that is movably inserted through the movable hinge bracket; and

a stopper configured to resistively prevent the hinge link from relatively moving with respect to the movable hinge bracket.

13. The portable computer of claim 12, wherein the hinge link extends through hinge slots formed through rear ends of the first and second units to connect the first and second units with each other.

14. The portable computer of claim 13, wherein the hinge link has an engagement protuberance formed at a distal end of the hinge link, and the movable hinge bracket has an

engagement protuberance channel, in which the engagement protuberance is located and guided, and wherein the engagement protuberance prevents the hinge link from being separated from the movable hinge bracket when the engagement protuberance is engaged with a lower end of the engagement protuberance channel.

15. The portable computer of claim 12, wherein the hinge link and the movable hinge bracket are disposed out of sides of the first and second units, and the first hinge shaft and the second hinge shaft extend inward through the sides of the first and second units from the hinge link and the movable hinge bracket, respectively.

16. A dual display control method for a portable computer, comprising:  
displaying a window screen image and an input device image on a first display module and a second display module, respectively, which are included in the portable computer; and

displaying at least one window screen image on both the first display module and the second display module according to a selection signal. .

17. The dual display control method of claim 16, wherein the input device image is one of a keyboard and an input area for a touch screen.

18. The dual display control method of claim 16, wherein the first display module is a liquid crystal display and the second display module has a touch screen, and wherein the

first display module is included in a first body rotatably coupled to a second body that includes the second display module.

19. The dual display control method of claim 16, wherein the keyboard image is displayed on the second display module in a predetermined language selected by the user, wherein the selection signal is inputted through the keyboard image or a separate key button.

20. The dual display control method of claim 19, wherein the language of the keyboard image is selectively changed.

21. The dual display control method of claim 16, wherein the at least one window screen image is displayed in a vertical direction on the first display module and the second display module.

22. The dual display control method of claim 16, wherein the at least one window screen image is displayed in a horizontal direction on the first display module and the second display module.

23. The dual display control method of claim 16, wherein said displaying at least one window screen image comprises displaying two different images or divided portions of one integrated image on the first display module and the second display module.

24. A portable computer, comprising:  
a first module configured with a first display screen; and  
second module rotatably coupled to the first module and configured with a  
second display screen.

25. The portable computer of claim 24, wherein a window screen image and a  
keyboard image are displayed on the first display screen and the second display screen,  
respectively, and wherein at least one window screen image is displayed on both the first  
display screens according to a selection signal.

26. The portable computer of claim 25, wherein a language of the keyboard image  
is selectively changed.

27. The portable computer of claim 24, wherein each screen is exposed in a  
surface of a corresponding module, and wherein said each screen comprises more than 25%  
of the corresponding surface.

28. The portable computer of claim 27, wherein an adjacent edge of the surfaces  
has a reduced width relative to a distal edge and side edges surrounding the screens.

29. The portable computer of claim 24, wherein at least one of the screens is  
configured to operate as a keyboard input device.

30. The portable computer of claim 24, wherein the portable computer does not have a physical keyboard.

31. The portable computer of claim 24, wherein the screens are configured to display divided portions of one integrated image.